

Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 4731-1-04 Scope of practice: mechanotherapy.

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(A) A practitioner of mechanotherapy shall examine patients only by verbal inquiry, examination of the musculoskeletal system by hand, and visual inspection and observation. A practitioner of mechanotherapy shall specifically not employ any techniques which involve extraction or analysis of body tissue or fluids.

- (B) A practitioner of mechanotherapy shall not diagnose a patient's condition except as to whether or not there is a disorder of the musculoskeletal system present.
- (C) A practitioner of mechanotherapy, in the treatment of patients, may apply only those techniques listed in this paragraph, but he may apply such techniques only to those disorders of the musculoskeletal system which are amenable to treatment by the listed techniques and which are identifiable by examination and diagnosis as described in this rule:
- (1) Advised or supervised exercise;
- (2) Massage or manipulation;
- (3) Application of air, water, heat, cold, sound or infrared rays; or
- (4) Electrical neuromuscular stimulation.